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Terms of fee payment and invoicing (WEEE, BAT and ELV)

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DPA is short for Dansk Producentansvar (Danish Producer Responsibility). DPA oversees administrative tasks associated with the rules on producer responsibility under the Danish environmental law regarding waste from electrical and electronic equipment, end-of-life batteries and accumulators, and end-of-life vehicles.

The producer responsibility for these waste types has authority in the Danish Environmental Protection Act. This Act translates into three Statutory Orders for the different waste types: the WEEE Order, the Battery Order, and the End-of-life Vehicles Order (the current statutory texts can be found on www.producentansvar.dk).

The Danish Statutory Orders take offset in three EU directives for the same waste types: the so-called WEEE Directive, the Batteries Directive, and the ELV Directive. Also, these directives with exact titles and dates can be found on www.producentansvar.dk.

Producer responsibility rests on the principle that each producer or importer assumes responsibility for collection and management of WEEE, waste batteries, and end-of-life vehicles to the effect that products becoming waste are managed in an environmentally correct manner, with the highest possible utilisation of resources contained in such products.

Producers and importers are in the following referred to as producers as the rules applying to both types are the same.

In general, the following abbreviations are used: WEEE for waste electrical and electronic equipment, BAT for batteries and accumulators, and ELV for end-of-life vehicles.

In pursuance of the rules on producer responsibility for waste electrical and electronic equipment (EEE) and batteries/accumulators this document describes the principles governing correct payment of fees and the DPA invoicing of such fees.

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Separate billing of WEEE, BAT and ELV

DPA's operation is financed through fees paid by producers. Statutory rules for WEEE, BAT and ELV come in three individual packages, so all three schemes must be self-financing. This means that fees for WEEE, BAT and ELV are calculated and billed separately. Thus, in the annual invoicing of fees, producers registered for both WEEE, BAT and ELV will receive invoices from DPA specified for WEEE, BAT and ELV, respectively.

Terms of payment

DPA invoices fees with a 14-days deadline for payment.

Non-payment

If an invoice is not paid within the above date of payment, the following steps are taken, each with a 14-days notice:

1. Submission of reminder
2. Notice regarding deletion from the producer register
3. Deletion of registration for producer responsibility

If - after the above three notices - the producer has not paid the fee or contacted DPA regarding errors in the fee calculation, the producer is deleted and the case is handed over to the Danish Environmental Protection Agency: non-payment is a breach of the producer responsibility. Thereby, the producer cannot legally sell his products on the Danish market.

If the producer wishes to continue placing products subject to producer responsibility on the Danish market, he will have to re-register. This will trigger a new registration fee as well as invoicing of the non-payment.

Update of contact information

DPA submits fee invoices to the producer's digital mailbox. Note that the producer is fully responsible for maintaining the company's contact information in the producer register, and he is responsible for making sure that the master data ensure timely and correct payment.

For foreign producers not covered by the requirement for an authorised representative, the invoice will be submitted to the producer's official contact e-mail address, which the producer has stated in the register.

Transaction cost of fee payment

DPA calculates and invoices fees in Danish Kroner (DKK) only. Therefore, we only accept payment of the exact amount in DKK.

If a producer wishes to pay DPA fees from addresses outside of Denmark, this may incur extra costs, for instance in connection with currency transactions and transfer fees. These costs are of no concern to DPA and the producer is responsible for checking that the amount transferred to DPA is identical to the exact invoice amount.

For more detailed requirements for payment of fees, we refer to the document "Guidelines from DPA: Terms of payment".

Invoicing of fees to DPA through collective schemes

Some collective schemes offer collective invoicing, which means that the collective scheme carries an expense on behalf of the producer. In this way, the collective scheme becomes the payment administrator. If the payment is not timely and correct, DPA will submit our request for payment to the producer.

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